

## CLAIMS

- 1 1. A method of displaying data from a database onto a page, comprising the steps  
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4 providing in said database a view having data therein;  
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6 providing in said database a configuration document describing characteristics of  
7 said page;  
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9 providing in said database a form for reading said configuration document, for  
10 retrieving data from said view, and for placing said data on said page as described  
11 in said configuration document;  
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13 forming a page address from the names of said database and said form; and  
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15 selecting said page address to display said data on said page.
- 1 2. A method according to Claim 1, further comprising the step of providing a key  
2 for locating the configuration documents.
- 1 3. A method according to Claim 2, further comprising the step of accessing said  
2 page, and wherein the step of providing the key includes the step of providing the  
3 key when the page is accessed.
- 1 4. A method according to Claim 1, wherein the view includes a multitude of data  
2 sets and the configuration document includes a multitude of instruction sets for  
3 displaying data on the page, and further including the steps of selecting one of the  
4 data sets and one of the instruction sets, and displaying the selected data set on  
5 said page in accordance with the selected instruction set.

1 5. A method according to Claim 4, wherein the data sets and the instruction sets  
2 are listed on the form, and the step of selecting one of the data sets and one of the  
3 instruction sets includes the step of identifying on the form the selected data sets  
4 and the selected instruction sets.

1 6. A system for displaying data from a database onto a page, comprising:  
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3 a database including a view having data therein; a configuration document  
4 describing characteristics of said page; and a form for reading said configuration  
5 document, for retrieving data from said view, and for placing said data on said  
6 page as described in said configuration document;  
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8 means for forming a page address from the names of said database and said form;  
9 and  
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11 means for selecting said page address to display said data on said page.

1 7. A system according to Claim 6, further comprising means for providing a key  
2 for locating the configuration documents.

1 8. A system according to Claim 7, further comprising means for accessing said  
2 page, and wherein the means for providing the key includes means for providing  
3 the key when the page is accessed.

1 9. A system according to Claim 6, wherein the view includes a multitude of data  
2 sets and the configuration document includes a multitude of instruction sets for  
3 displaying data on the page, and further including means for selecting one of the  
4 data sets and one of the instruction sets, and means for displaying the selected data  
5 set on said page in accordance with the selected instruction set.

1 10. A system according to Claim 9, wherein the data sets and the instruction sets  
2 are listed on the form, and the means for selecting one of the data sets and one of  
3 the instruction sets includes the step of identifying on the form the selected data  
4 sets and the selected instruction sets.

1 11. A program storage device readable by machine, tangibly embodying a  
2 program of instructions executable by the machine to perform method steps for  
3 displaying data from a database onto a page, said method steps comprising:  
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5 providing in said database a view having data therein;  
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7 providing in said database a configuration document describing characteristics of  
8 said page;  
9  
10 providing in said database a form for reading said configuration document, for  
11 retrieving data from said view, and for placing said data on said page as described  
12 in said configuration document;  
13  
14 forming a page address from the names of said database and said form; and  
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16 selecting said page address to display said data on said page.

1 12. A program storage device according to Claim 11, further comprising the step  
2 of providing a key for locating the configuration documents.

1 13. A program storage device according to Claim 12, further comprising the step  
2 of accessing said page, and wherein the step of providing the key includes the step  
3 of providing the key when the page is accessed.

1 14. A program storage device according to Claim 11, wherein the view includes a  
2 multitude of data sets and the configuration document includes a multitude of  
3 instruction sets for displaying data on the page, and further including the steps of  
4 selecting one of the data sets and one of the instruction sets, and displaying the  
5 selected data set on said page in accordance with the selected instruction set.

1 15. A program storage device according to Claim 14, wherein the data sets and the  
2 instruction sets are listed on the form, and the step of selecting one of the data sets  
3 and one of the instruction sets includes the step of identifying on the form the  
4 selected data sets and the selected instruction sets.